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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 4181**  
Hiroyuki KATO et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_1530A  
Serial No. 10/593,867 : Group Art Unit 1794  
Filed September 22, 2006 :  
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SOYBEAN : THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
PROTEIN AND PROCESS FOR : TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
PRODUCING PROCESSED MEAT : FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
FOOD USING THE SOYBEAN PROTEIN : ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

**SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants request consideration of the references listed on attached form PTO-1449 and any additional information identified below in paragraph 3. A legible copy of each reference listed on the Form PTO-1449 is enclosed.

1a.  This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

within three months of the filing date (or of entry into the National Stage) of the above-entitled application, **or**

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**and thus no certification and/or fee is required.**

1b.  This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted  
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(1)  the certification of paragraph 2 below is provided, **or**  
(2)  the fee of \$180.00 specified in 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.

1c.  This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:  
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otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and prior to payment of the issue fee, and  
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2. It is hereby certified  
a.  that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure  
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counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of  
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3.  Consideration of the following list of additional information (including any copending or  
abandoned U.S. application, prior uses and/or sales, etc.) is requested.

4. For each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449, reference is made to:
  - a.  a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,
  - b.  a foreign patent office office action (with English translation) submitted herewith,
  - c.  the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page,
  - d.  the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
  - e.  the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:
5.  A foreign patent office office action citing the reference is enclosed.
6.  Comments:

The foreign patent office office action referred to above in items 4b and 5 is an Office Action issued in connection with Chinese Patent Application No. 200580017158.9. A copy of the Chinese Office Action and an English translation thereof are enclosed. The translation is cited on the attached PTO-1449 form.

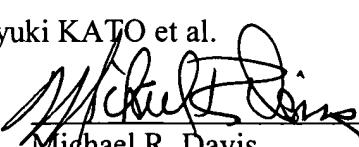
Page 3 of the translation of the Chinese Office Action also cites JP 2257831. This reference has already been cited in Applicants' earlier IDS of November 17, 2006.

*The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.*

Respectfully submitted,

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